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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1091

Introduced by: Representatives Blake, Dennert, Elliott, Fargen, Feickert, Gibson, Greenfield, Hoffman, Lucas, Olson (Betty), Rausch, Romkema, and Wismer and Senators Brown, Bradford, Buhl, Fryslie, and Maher

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to repeal the provision requiring certain school districts
- with a fall enrollment of less than one hundred to reorganize.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 13-6-97 be repealed.
- 5 13-6-97. Any school district that has a fall enrollment, as defined in § 13-13-10.1, of less
- 6 than one hundred and is not a sparse school district, as defined in § 13-13-78, shall reorganize
- 7 with another school district or school districts to create a newly reorganized school district with
- 8 a fall enrollment of one hundred or greater. Any school district that is not sparse and has a fall
- 9 enrollment of one hundred or less on July 1, 2007, shall prepare a plan for reorganization by
- 10 June 30, 2009. After July 1, 2007, if the fall enrollment of any school district that is not sparse
- 11 falls to one hundred or below, that school district shall prepare a plan for reorganization within
- 12 two years. If any such district fails to prepare a plan for reorganization by the deadline, the
- Board of Education shall prepare a reorganization plan for the district. However, the provisions
- of this section do not apply to any school district that contracts with a school district in another

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state pursuant to § 13-15-11 to provide for the education of children in grades seven through

- 2 twelve who reside within the district, that receives no foundation program state aid distributed
- 3 pursuant to chapter 13-13, and that is located at least twenty-five miles from the nearest high
- 4 school in an adjoining school district in the state.
- 5 Section 2. That § 13-15-30 be amended to read as follows:
- 6 13-15-30. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 13-5-1, the school board of any school
- 7 district that offers an instructional program within the boundaries of the school district may
- 8 enter into an agreement or contract with one or more school boards of other school districts to
- 9 provide for the whole-grade sharing of students among the participating school districts if:
- 10 (1) The school district offers an instructional program within the boundaries of the
- 11 school district; and
- 12 (2) The school district meets the minimum fall enrollment requirements pursuant to
- 13 <del>§ 13-6-97</del>.
- For purposes of §§ 13-15-30 to 13-15-32, inclusive, whole-grade sharing is a sharing
- arrangement for students among participating school districts that allows the resident students
- at any one or more grade levels within one school district to attend school in one or more of the
- other participating school districts. The whole-grade sharing may be one-way whereby a
- participating school district sends all of its students at one or more grade levels to attend school
- in one or more of the other participating school districts without receiving any students in return.
- The whole-grade sharing may also be two-way whereby a school district sends all of its
- 21 students at one or more grade levels to attend school in one or more of the other participating
- school districts, and in return receives students at one or more grade levels from one or more
- of the other participating school districts.